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Sir:

Attached are English language translations of an Official Action and a Decision of Rejection issued by the Japanese Patent Office in a Japanese application corresponding to the present application. The publications identified in the Official Action and the Decision of Rejection are cited on the accompanying Form PTO-1449. The publications are cited here because they were cited in the counterpart Japanese application, and the relevance of the publications is identified in the Official Action and the Decision of Rejection. A copy of each cited document is enclosed.

The information is submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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